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## AFTER DEATH.

I sometimes linger o'er the list
Of friends I lost in other days,
And still the question with me stays—
"When I am gone, shall I be missed?"

I doubt if others think the same
Or even wish to share my thought—
That men were foolish who have sought
To leave a never dying name.

When thou hast run thine earthly race,
Thou wilt not "leave a world in tears,"
Nor will men come in after years
To view thine earthly resting place.

Thy poor remains will rest as well,
Thy spirit will be no less free,
Although it is not thine to be
A Milton or a Raphael.

Fret not thyself, but heaven thank
If all the good that thou canst do
May be so done that only few
Need ever know thy place is blank.

Be thankful if but one true heart
Shall feel for thee the moment's pain—
Ere it can say, "We meet again"—
Of knowing what it is to part.

One loving heart thou mayest crave,
Lest all thou caredst for on earth
Should seem to have no lasting worth
And end forever in the grave.

One faithful heart beneath the sky
In which to leave a seed of love
To blossom in a world above
And bear a fruit which shall not die.

—C. J. Bodenn in Chambers' Journal.

## GETTING A HUSBAND.

"What an idea! You'll never get any one to do it, Lil."

"Oh, yes, I shall! I know just the girl."

"Who? Do tell me."

"Can't you guess?"

"No."

"You."

"Me!" I fairly screamed.

"Yes, you. Now, listen, Bertha. You're just the girl for Duncan. I've always thought so, and I know you both well. Duncan is"—

"Oh, my dear girl, just as if I didn't know everything that Duncan is and isn't and was and will be! And just as though any girl would take that sort of thing on trust and not judge for herself before she went all the way out to India to marry a man!"

"Bertha, darling, don't get excited. Please do think this matter over seriously and try and see its advantages. Here, I will give you his letter to read and leave you for a little. Do try and like the idea."

I read the letter and can't say I was much impressed, but as it explains the position of affairs here it is:

DEAR OLD LIL—I am writing to ask a favor of you, but first you must promise you won't think me perfectly mad, as I solemnly assure you I am in earnest. We have always been pals, haven't we? And I think you know exactly what sort of fellow I am. Do you remember you used to say that the reason so many people are unhappily married is because the man always persists in choosing the girl he falls in love with without considering whether she has the qualities necessary to make him a good wife? I remember you once said, "Men would be far happier if they would let their sisters choose their wives for them." Well, I want to get married, and I have resolved to give your wise maxims a trial. Perhaps I may be rather a cold sort of fellow; but, anyway, I have never wanted to marry any of the girls about here. Will you choose a wife for me from among your English girl friends and place the case clearly before her? Tell her all you know of me as regards character, disposition, etc.; also that I am 29 years of age, well off, tall and, I believe, passably good looking. I should like her to be presentable in appearance. The rest I leave to you. We might exchange photos, only mine would be no good, as they are all old ones, and I know you have no decent ones at home. I need hardly add that, though it is a dangerous experiment, I will do all in my power to make it turn out a success, and whoever trusts herself to me shall never have cause to regret it, if I can help it. Let me know as soon as you can, and, believe me, your affectionate brother,

DUNCAN EASTWOOD.

After all, it is rather a good idea, I think—original, if nothing else. But somehow I wouldn't like to take the risk. On the other hand, I've no home, now that dad's gone, and only a poor little £40 a year to live on. Lil's awfully good and kind, but I can't stay here forever. Her husband must think me a nuisance as it is. I shall have to go out as a governess, and here's a chance of marrying a man who is rich, handsome, kind hearted and of whom every one speaks well. I don't care for any one else. Shall I chance it?

Well, I did, after all. I had no one in the world to advise me but Lil and her husband, and they both thought it a desirable match. They said we were made for each other, but I believe in their inpermost heart of hearts they think Duncan a bit too good for me. My photo was sent out, and my future husband deigned to say that, "If I was anything like my photo, he loved me already." I think it was rather sneaky of him not sending one of his, but he has been minutely described to me and is going to wear a white gardenia in his buttonhole when he meets me at Calcutta. He has a good post in the Indian civil service and lives in Calcutta in the cold weather and Simla in the hot; so I shall have a good time. Lil rigged me out and packed me off, and as for me—well, I think I shall like him, and I mean to try anyway.

We have passed Port Said, and very soon we shall reach Aden. Every one on board is kind to me.

I shall never forget arriving at Aden, a horrid looking place, with low white houses against a dreary background of rocks, and no trees or flowers to be seen.

An interesting man came on board at Aden. He is tall and broad, with a kind face and dark eyes, and such lovely beard and mustache. I think I rather like beards. That horrid Duncan is clean shaven. I oughtn't to be thinking about men. Oh, dear, I wonder if I have done right!

I heard this new man ask the captain, in whose charge I am, whether he might be introduced to a girl on board.

"Which one?" asked the captain.

"I think she is in your charge," said the man; "a tall, slight girl, with lovely gray eyes."

He must have meant me. I should like to be introduced, and yet in some ways I would rather not. If I fell in love, how awkward it would be!

"Miss Carr—Mr. Rogers." The captain stood before me with the man who came on board at Aden.

I got red and hardly dared to raise my "lovely gray eyes" to the handsome face above me.

"Miss Carr, I know a friend of yours in Calcutta, Duncan Eastwood."

I got redder. How much did he know? How could I tell him I was going to marry a man I had never seen?

"Oh, yes," I stammered. "I am going to stay for a few days with his sister, Mrs. Osborne, in Calcutta. Do you know her?"

"Yes, slightly," he answered. "Rather a long way to go for a visit of a few days, isn't it?"

There was an awkward pause. I simply couldn't tell him the truth.

"Oh," I said carelessly, "I have other plans after that."

He seemed amused at my confusion. I'm sure I looked a perfect fool, and I was thankful that just then another man came up and asked me to join in a cricket match they were getting up.

I have been so happy all these days, but tonight I am the most miserable girl in the world. We shall get to Calcutta tomorrow, and I shall be seized on by that odious man with the white gardenia. I shall never love him. I love some one else, and some one else loves me. A few hours ago Mr. Rogers asked me to marry him, and I told him all my story.

I was leaning over the side of the boat watching the glorious effects of the moon on the dark waters, when he came up behind me. I had a white dress on. I looked up at him as he stood near, and he was looking down at me with a look I had never seen before in any man's eyes. Such a world of love was there, and all for me. It was worth living all my 19 years just simply to see that look.

I don't know why I did it, but I couldn't keep back a great sob, and at that he took me in his arms and kissed me passionately over and over again, as though he had lost all control over himself.

I tore myself away and told him as calmly as I could all about myself.

"I ought to have told you before," I cried over and over. "But, oh, don't you understand how hard it was? I thought you would think me such a dreadful girl to marry a man I had never seen."

"I don't, dear," he said very gravely. "I think it is a good idea, and you will find all will go well."

"You are heartless," I cried despairingly. "You don't care a bit. You are not one bit unhappy."

"My Bertha, it is everything to me to know you love me. I don't think I shall ever be unhappy again."

"You are cruel, heartless, wicked," I cried. "I won't listen any more," and before he could stop me I ran away, and here I am crying my eyes out, wishing we had all been wrecked in the bay.

He called me back. "Bertha, dearest, let me explain." But I wouldn't listen.

A strange thing has happened to me. I went on deck this morning and found everything in a bustle and nearly every one had gone on shore. I waited behind purposely. The captain came up and asked me whether I could see my friends anywhere about.

"No," I answered miserably.

He said he was sorry to see me looking so pale. "The gentleman who is to meet me is tall and clean shaven and will wear a white gardenia," I began.

"Here we are then," interrupted the captain, and I felt rather than saw that some one was approaching. My knees were trembling. I thought I should fall. I couldn't raise my eyes until suddenly a deep voice that I knew—ah, yes, and loved, too—spoke:

"Miss Carr, I think?"

Startled, I looked up. The captain had been called away, and I stood face to face with—Mr. Rogers.

"What does it mean?" I gasped.

"It means, my darling, that I am Duncan Eastwood. Will you forgive me for the deception?"

I couldn't speak, and he went on:

"I was impatient to see the dear little girl who had trusted her future to me, so as I had been ill and was ordered a holiday I came to Aden to meet you. Then it struck me I would like to see what sort of a little girl you were before you knew who I was. Lil was right; you were made for me, dear heart. Then I found you loved me. Last night I nearly betrayed myself, but I wanted to see your face when you met me this morning. By the bye, I haven't seen it yet. My sister is waiting for you. I have been on shore and got rid of my beard, etc. Look at me, darling, and see how you like the change."

I looked up, and he took my hands in his.

"Are you still afraid of the risk, my Bertha?"

"There will be no risk," I murmured. "My life will be all sunshine."

"And if not," he broke in gently, "our love will help us through the shadows."

The experiment turned out a perfect success, and Lil is more than ever convinced that a man should let his sister choose his wife for him.—St. Paul's.

### Uncertainty and Fear of Old Age.

It is the practice of certain members of an Oxford college, who all "went up" in the same year, which is now getting on for half a century ago, to dine together yearly. During the year the majority of them never meet at all, their homes being scattered over all parts of the country, and in some cases abroad. Accordingly, when they do meet, they scrutinize each other pretty carefully, marking the changes which have taken place in their respective appearances during the year. At the last of these gatherings a white haired old gentleman, bent almost double with rheumatism, turned with difficulty to his neighbor, and, pointing to a gray-beard on the other side of the table, whispered anxiously, "Tell me—I don't really look as old as that, do I?" Funny and terribly pathetic, wasn't it?—Pick Me Up.

## ENGLAND'S METROPOLIS.

### London as It Was In the Earliest Days of Its Existence.

We first hear of London in any important sense as a city of Roman Britain. The incoming of the Saxon conquerors is followed by nearly 200 years of unbroken silence, and it is this long period which has caused some historians to assume, rather than prove, that Roman London had altogether ceased to exist. But when the light of history is again shed upon this part of the newly made England there is much to show that London had, to a large extent, preserved her independence as a place of commerce and civic organization. The Saxon settlements appear all round her, and perhaps the little village of Charing, within a mile of her walls, affords the most significant testimony to the Saxon settlements round London rather than in London.

The Saxon conquerors appear as political masters of London and introduced into her municipal life the folkmoot, which originally met in the open air on a piece of land near Paul's Cross and which is perhaps represented by the Common hall of the citizens of London of the present day; many Teutonic customs which lie imbedded in the municipal usages of mediæval times, many Democratic innovations in municipal institutions which appear throughout the early years of Plantagenet rule, when the "common people" over and over again asserted their right to take part in the municipal elections and transactions of the day. But both the settlements round London and the political lordship over London do not appear to have made London a Saxon city and its municipal institutions of Saxon origin. The lex mercatoria of Roman London seems never to have quite died out.

In the court of the merchants there were always professional lawyers, and perhaps the most remarkable survival of Roman institutions in Britain is the practice of the old order of sergeants at law, who assembled in the nave of the old St. Paul's cathedral, each sergeant having been allotted a special pillar in the cathedral at his appointment, where he met his clients in legal consultation, hearing the facts of the case, taking notes of the evidence or pacing up and down. This is the exact parallel to the assembling of the Roman jurisperiti at early morn in the forum to consult with their clients and cannot be explained except by the theory of direct continuance of practice from Roman times.—Contemporary Review.

## NOT A DIRECTORY.

### Why the Hardworking Letter Carrier Loses His Temper Occasionally.

I stopped a letter carrier in Thirty-sixth street the other morning and inquired the number of the house on the other side of the street at which a personal friend of mine lived, giving the name and occupation of the gentleman about whom the inquiry was made. I knew he lived across the way, in one of a certain block, but had forgotten the particular number, and I knew the carrier would know by the mail delivered.

"Don't you know, sir," said the carrier, who knew me, by the way, "that you ask for that which it is contrary to the rules of the postoffice department to give?"

"No, I don't," I blushingly admitted.

"Well, it's true," he said. "The law recognizes the right of a citizen to a private residence, undisturbed, as long as he has committed no offense that requires such privacy to be invaded. Now if I should give your number and street to anybody who might happen to want them, the thing might cause you some annoyance."

"Why, anybody could find that out through the directory."

"They might, and they might not. Anyhow the postoffice is not a directory."

"And didn't you know," he added as a parting shot as he went away, "that you violate the law by stopping a postman in this way while he is delivering his mail?"

No, I didn't, and for that reason these paragraphs.—New York Herald.

### Groceries In Brooklyn.

Nowhere are the grocery stores thicker than in Brooklyn. On many of the main arteries of traffic one will find corner after corner occupied by a grocery store, with often one or two grocers in the middle of the same block. And they all seem to thrive. New York city boasts a more luxurious class of people than the average Brooklyn grocer supplies, but the standard of living on the average is higher in the City of Churches than elsewhere, and the grocers sell a better average quality of goods there. Originality is not a common virtue in Brooklyn grocerdom, however, nor is it frequently met with anywhere else, for that matter, but in the City of Churches (a more appropriate name would be the City of Grocers) one is led to look for greater variety of store decoration and display of goods and in methods of doing business from the simple fact that most of the establishments are so neat and clean and the goods so attractive and well displayed.—New York Merchants' Review.

### The Coming Age.

"What a sweet baby you have, Mrs. Wheeler! Does it talk at all yet?"

"Yes, it can say 'mamma' beautifully. We are going to put it on a bicycle next week."

"How nice! Does it walk at all?"

"Oh, dear, no! Why, it's only 7 months! Not for half a year yet!"

Indeed, to one accustomed to children, the question seemed absurd.—London Tit-Bits.

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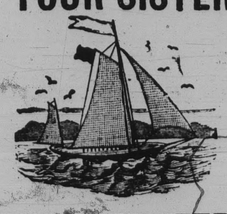
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SONOMA, JANUARY 16, 1897.

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## BOODLE.

If the Legislature now in session at Sacramento continues in its extravagence to the end of the session it will go on record as being one of the most reckless that has ever convened in Sacramento. On Monday last when the Assembly organized for business the actual number of names on the temporary roll was 117. These men were appointed by Clerk Duckworth to carry out the business of that body from 12 o'clock Monday until 5 o'clock in the afternoon of the same day. For this few hours service enormous pay was allowed. For instance, R. G. Wickham, Minute Clerk, received for his few hours' work the sum of $102.60, or a little over $20 an hour. J. Hocking, who filled the important position of Clerk to the Sergeant-at Arms, received $173.60, or about $34 an hour. Six assistant clerks received over $70 apiece, twenty-five assistant clerks received $56 apiece and about twenty-five others received amounts ranging from $25 to $40 for their afternoon's work. In all there was a clear steal of between $3000 and $5000 in organizing the Assembly alone. Ten men could have done the work of the 117, most of whom were "dummies." Among the latter the name of W. S. Staley, ex-Assemblyman from this district, appears as drawing down $56 for an afternoon's work. This is robbery pure and simple and the honest members of the Assembly—and we presume there are some men in that body who realize that they have been sent to Sacramento to make laws and not to loot the Treasury—owe it to themselves to sift this matter to the very bottom. Times are hard, taxes high and the people cannot afford to be buncoed out of money that ought to be applied to honest purposes.

The Funding Bill was defeated in the House of Representatives last Monday by a vote of 102 for and 168 against. Congressman Barham, notwithstanding it has been repeatedly charged that he was a Southern Pacific man, voted with the people on the proposition, as did every other Congressman from California, if we except Grove L. Johnson. Now, that the funding scheme has been killed forever it remains for our Senators and Congressmen to go ahead and do something to enable the Government to collect from Huntington the principal and interest due. In other words, let them reverse the order of things and put the railroad on the defensive. The defeat of the Funding bill leaves the question as to the railroad debts just where it was before Mr. Huntington concocted his scheme to stave off an honest debt due an over-indulgent Government by multi-millionaires, who if they can avoid payment are going to do it. In other words the defeat of the bill was simply a "feeler" by the railroad people to see whether or not they could control the present Congress. It now remains for that body, which has apparently shown itself to be on the side of the people, to take the Pacific rail road debt by the horns and enforce payment. When Congress shall have done this no one can doubt its sincerity of purpose. The Funding bill is dead, but Mr. Huntington and his associates, who concocted it to evade the payment of an honest debt, are very much alive. Now, what is Congress going to do about it?

John A. Keegan, Assemblyman from this district, has been placed on the Asylum Committee by Speaker Coombs. This is most fortunate for Sonoma Valley. It goes without saying that he will do all in his power to prevent the removal of the Home for Feeble Minded from Glen Ellen. Mr. Keegan, even if he was a little off in voting for Cator for Senator, is an honest man and can be depended upon to serve his constituents to the best of his ability first, last and all the time.

The Presidential electors met in Sacramento last Monday and selected G. M. Francis, editor of the Napa *Register*, to carry the returns to Washington.

Geo. C. Perkins was elected United States Senator last Tuesday on the first ballot. He was placed in nomination by Judge Waymire. All the talk about S. M. Shortridge's strength dwindled into thin air. He wasn't in it, and withdrew before the ballot was taken.

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## COUNTY GLEANINGS.

Frank Snow, an enterprising newspaper man, has purchased the *Petalumian*. We wish him success.

Henry Silvershield of Petaluma has been appointed engineer of the county Court House.

On Friday an officer arrested an Indian who was fishing in Sulphur creek with a basket in which were some fine salmon.

The home of Edward Lockwood in Petaluma was burned Saturday afternoon. The loss was about $1,000 with no insurance.

The Supervisors have awarded to J. C. Mailer for $110 the contract to build a steel cell in front of the main cage in the county jail.

W. D. Duerson brought a coyote scalp to the County Clerk's office Tuesday. The coyote was killed in the mountains five miles from Penn's Grove.

Miss Rena Shattuck, who recently disposed of the *Petalumian*, will leave shortly for Sutter Creek, where she expects to commence the publication of a weekly newspaper.

J. C. Simmons, charged with incest on an indictment found by the Grand Jury, was sentenced by Judge Burnett to San Quentin for ten years Tuesday morning. Simmons was tried and found guilty as charged last week.

A grain of corn became lodged in the ear of the little son of Mr. and Mrs. Rego of Sebastopol, says the *Times*, and caused excrutiating pain. Dr. Benepe was called to the aid of the sufferer and succeeded in removing the kernel.

At Napa, Monday, the arraignment of John Mize, formerly of this county, on a criminal charge was held before Superior Judge Ham. Attorney Ross Campbell, counsel for Mize, entered a plea of not guilty, and the case was set for trial February 18th.

An old man named Straubli, who resided by himself in a little house two miles from Sebastopol, was found dead in his kitchen Sunday morning. The old man had suffered a good deal from heart disease, and death apparently came to him while he was about doing his domestic duties.

The will of Jeremiah Sweeney and petition for probate of will was filed with the County Clerk Wednesday. The property consists of an improved farm of 330 acres in Petaluma Township valued at $12,000, and personal property consisting of horses, cows, implements, etc., to the value of $1500. The rental value of the land is put at $900 per year. The property is left to the eight children, six girls and two boys.

Cloverdale will soon be lighted by electricity. R. B. Elder, representing an electric light company, and F. Albertz, proprietor of the Moulton Hill vineyard near Cloverdale, canvassed the town this week and found sufficient encouragement to warrant the establishing of a plant. Albertz has just returned from San Francisco and reports that the machinery will be there in a few days. A crew of men is already at work setting the poles. The company expects to have the new lights in readiness for the citrus fair, which opens on February 16th.

Prof. C. H. Neilsen has become a statistician in regard to government figures in Sonoma county, his expert work here having given him ample range for their study. In discussing the county salaries question Thursday, Professor Neilson said to a reporter that in no county of the State are the salaries of county officials lower, according to the work they perform and the wealth of the county, than they are in Sonoma county. Only four counties in the State, said the professor, have a lower rate of taxation. And he said here is a fact that is not generally known in the county: Sonoma county had paid in 1896 $60,789.31 to the State for school purposes. It received from the State $85,359.51 for school purposes, or a net gain of $24,570.20. In other words the people of other counties pay $24,570.20 to help maintain the public schools of Sonoma county. This is because the apportionment of State school money is based upon the number of school census children, of which our county has its full share.—*S. R. Press.*


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## COURT PROCEEDINGS.

Department One—Burnett, J.

Slivens vs. Freitsch—Demurrer overruled; defendant allowed 5 days for notice.

Estate of Catherine Wilder—Thos. Hehir appointed administrator; bond $400.

Estate of L. T. Davis—Thos. Hehir appointed administrator; bond $400.

Estate of A. J. Councilman—Final account allowed; distribution ordered.

Estate of Gary V. Davis—Sale of real estate confirmed.

Estate of Ann P. Tombs—Continued to January 18th.

Department Two—Dougherty, J.

Swafford vs. Petaluma Board of Education—Continued to January 18th.

W. C. Hill, insolvent—Continued to February 18th.

F. Odell vs. Ruby Odell—Continued to January 18th.

Sonoma county vs. Gil P. Hall—Continued to January 18th.

Sonoma county vs. Gil P. Hall—Argument set for January 26th.

V. Schmidt vs. Catherine Schmidt—Motion to recall execution dismissed.

D. McCree vs. H. M. LeBaron—Set for February 23rd.

Martha Gerald vs. J. F. Gerald—Set for February 18th.

Santa Rosa Bank vs. Charles Anderson—Set for January 20th.

Steiger vs. Marti—Order that reporter transcribe all testimony, each side to pay half.

D. C. Bane vs. M. H. Peerman—Set for February 23rd.

Surrhynne vs. Surrhynne—Submitted.

Thos. Colehan vs. S. I. Allen—Submitted on briefs.

Combs vs. Combs—Submitted.

Clara Jewell vs. John Jewell—Set for January 18th.

Nancy Hayworth vs. Hayworth—Divorce granted.

Myrtle Platt vs. Wm. Platt—Submitted.

Toms vs. Toms—Default entered, referred to court commissioner.

Kemp vs. Kemp—Divorce granted.

### Special English Traits.

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They swear by the franchise as the sheet anchor of liberty, but do not fret, if they get liberty, because the franchise is a restricted one. Every man with us is in the national ideal "free to say the thing he will," but when he has said it he comes under very strict laws, indeed, intended to provide that what is said shall not be libelous or blasphemous or improper. Colonel Ingersoll, the American apostle of disbelief, would on this side of the water have passed half his life in prison.—London Spectator.


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CITY OFFICIAL PAPER.

# LOCAL HAPPENINGS.

## ST. FRANCIS' CHURCH

### Dedicated Last Sunday—Impressive Services.

St. Francis' Church was filled to overflowing last Sunday, the occassion being the dedication of the new edifice. Archbishop Riordan officiated. He was assisted by Father Kirby of San Francisco, Father Cleary of Petaluma, Father Leggin of San Rafael, Father Mulligan, Secretary to the Archbishop and Father Quill, the resident pastor.

Roswig's Mass in G was rendered by a special choir, composed of Mrs. Lulu de Emparan, Mrs. H. C. Angell, Miss Birdie Johnson, Miss Natalie Haraszthy, Miss Alice Kearney and Messrs. J. H. Seipp, Claude Johnson, Preston Chamberlain and Harry Chamberlain.

Before the sermon "Veni Creator" was sung by Mrs. Emparan and Miss N. Haraszthy and Miss N. Houser rendered Adam's "Noel" at the offeratory. Mrs. Lucia Walliser, by special request, presided at the organ.

The sermon by Archbishop Riordan was both able and eloquent and was listened to with marked attention by Protestants as well as Catholics, a large number of the former being present.

The event was one of the most notable that has taken place in Sonoma for many years and will long be remembered by those who were present.

## RUNAWAY.

### Narrow Escape of the Misses Clawson of Glen Ellen.

On Saturday night last a runaway accident occurred between Kenwood and Glen Ellen, in which the Misses Clawson of the former place had a narrow escape from serious injury, if not from being killed. They had visited Kenwood, making the journey with a go-cart and horse. On their return home one of the wheels gave way. The horse bolted and both of the girls were thrown out of the cart. One of them was dragged a considerable distance before becoming disentangled from the vehicle and both escaped with a few bruises. The horse was found shortly after the accident firmly wedged in a fence alongside the road.

## Installation.

Sonoma Lodge, No. 28, I. O. O. F., on Saturday night last installed the following officers to serve for the ensuing term; J. S. Young, N. G.; J. G. Marcy, V. G.; J. Revie, Secretary; J. E. Robin, Treasurer; J. Wagnon, Warden; J. M. Cheney, Conductor; Dr. H. H. Davis, R. S. to N. G.; W. E. Thomas, L. S. to N. G.; J. H. Albertson, Inside Guardian. The installing officer was District Deputy Crouch of Calistoga. He was assisted by Jas. H. Albertson, Acting Grand Marshal; John Wagpon, Acting Grand Warden; Dr. H. H. Davis, Acting Grand Secretary and J. M. Cheney, Acting Grand Treasurer. After the installation and the business of the Lodge had been transacted Brother Crouch and the members of the Order were banqueted by the ladies of Verdant Rebekah Lodge. Fred. Batto will serve as Past Grand during the ensuing term.

## Wheeler's I X L Compound.

We direct attention to the advertisement of Wheeler's I X L Compound, and of the remarkable merits claimed for it, and observed by the Professors of the State Experiment Station as well as the State Quarantine Guardian. To have sustained itself against the the bitter opposition many have manifested to it is convincing evidence of its superiority. What our growers want is the cheapest and best spray in removing the insect and making healthy trees, and those who have been making unbiased comparisons give the credit to Wheeler's I X L Compound. Individuals, intelligent and observing, are more capable of expressing opinions after a use of it for several years than those who but gave it a superficial trial, and probably were biased against it at the time. Its invention has opened up the avenue for a more intelligent treatment of vegetation. Its inventor claims he secures the dislodgment of the parasite by creating a healthy condition in the plant; as his winter treatment is no severer than that employed when the tree is in blossom.

## THE WATER QUESTION.

### Engineers Von Geldern and Grunsky to Commence Work To-Day.

Engineers Von Geldern and Grunsky arrived in town last night from San Francisco, and will enter upon their duties to-day in examining and reporting upon the cheapest and most available water supply for Sonoma. These gentlemen, who have been engaged by the Board of Trustees to assist them in solving the problem of giving to Sonoma an adequate supply of water for fire, irrigation and domestic purposes, have had a great deal of experience in hydraulic enterprises and can be relied upon by the tax-payers of Sonoma when it comes to consulting their interests in a matter of that kind. Engineer Grunsky planned and laid out the Vallejo City water works system, which has proved to be the most economical and best system enjoyed by any interior town in the State. Mr. Von Geldern, who is a nephew of Mrs. Dr. Von Geldern, one of Sonoma's prominent property owners, is a civil engineer of marked ability and for the past few years has been engaged in many important engineering projects in the harbor of San Francisco and other places. It is expected that Messrs. Von Geldern and Grunsky will be enabled to finish up their labors in a few days and make their report to the special Water Committee of the City Trustees the coming week. If the report be favorable the question of whether or not Sonoma is to own and control its own water works will be submitted to the people with the least possible delay.

## MORE CRIMES CHARGED.

### Five New Indictments Found Against Landsborough.

On Wednesday last Assemblyman L. M. Landsborough, representing the Twenty-second District in the lower house of the Legislature, was re-arrested by Deputy Sheriff Hinters by virtue of five new indictments brought against him by the Grand Jury. The indictments charge him with felonies. Two of them are for forgery, one for preparing false evidence, and two for fraudulently presenting a claim to the Board of Supervisors of Sacramento county.

Landsborough, says the Sacramento *Bee*, as soon as he heard that the indictments against him were out, telephoned into the Sheriff's office that to save trouble he would meet a Deputy Sheriff at the office of his attorney.

This was agreeable, and the officer was at the attorney's office at the appointed hour and placed the Assemblyman under arrest. Bail had been fixed in each case at $1500, and the bonds required in the five cases aggregate $7,500. As bondsmen must qualify in double the amount, the sum reaches $15,000.

Landsborough was afforded an opportunity to go out for the purpose of securing bail.

The first charge is forgery in connection with the assignment by Mark Wightman to F. C. Hyde of a jury claim for $81.50. The second was in connection with the assignment to Hyde of the claim of J. E. Birch.

The indictment for presenting false evidence has to do with the claim of C. E. Fordemwalt for $72.60 for jury fees during the September term. The charges of fraudulently presenting claims to the Board of Supervisors refers to the claim of L. Derr for $80.60, and that of A. T. Core for $80.70, both for jury fees during the September term.

Judge Hart this afternoon reduced the bonds required from $1,500 on each count to $500 on each count.

It has been reported on the streets and about the Capitol that Landsborough had sold his entire time in advance as Assemblyman, amounting to $480, to Smith & Bassett, money brokers, for $400, and that he was impelled on that account to retain his seat as long as he could.

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# GLEN ELLEN ITEMS.

Constable Robin was up from Sonoma last Wednesday on legal business.

Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Phillips were up from their ranch and visited relatives here last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Glass left last Monday for a week's visit to relatives and friends in Cordelia, Solano county.

A social party was held at the residence of Geo. W. Beatty last Monday evening and was greatly enjoyed by the many present.

The roof of the Dunbar school house is receiving a new layer of shingles and a coat of paint. J. W. Brand is doing the work.

Postmaster Poppe will soon put a new set of call boxes in his office, which will undoubtedly be a great convenience to the many patrons.

The section men on the S. F. & N. P. railroad are repairing the damage to the track in this vicinity caused by the late heavy rains.

Col. F. Parker, who has lately been in the employ of Chas. J. Poppe, has gone to Sacramento in quest of broader and greater possibilities.

The Native Sons' Parlor at this place will install their newly-elected officers on the 30th inst. D. D. G. P. Williamson will be present and a banquet at the Glen Ellen Hotel will follow the installation. Natives generally are invited.

REMINGTON,
Glen Ellen, Jan. 14, 1896.

# SCHELLVILLE SIFTINGS

The San Luis school will re-open Monday, February 1st.

Mrs. Jos. McMullen and Miss Cook visited Sonoma to-day.

Misses Dora and Zarifa Howe visited Napa friends last Wednesday.

Mont. Akers, our genial Postmaster, transacted business in Sonoma last Thursday.

The early-sown grain on the farms in this vicinity is looking well and gives promise of a heavy yield.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Keechler was christened in St. Francis' Church last Saturday by Rev. Father Quill.

Jos. Anderson, Frank Thompson, Jos. Donahue and Wm. Switzer have chartered Wm. Kennedy's yacht "Hope" for a two-week's cruise on San Pablo and Suisun Bays. They will put in their time hunting and fishing and expect to bag a large number of geese and ducks.

Miss Anna Wadsworth has been engaged to teach the Harvey District School for the ensuing term. No better selection could have been made by the Trustees, as Miss Wadsworth recently passed a most successful examination before the County Board of Education and is a graduate of the San Luis school and the Sonoma Valley High School.

TRILBY.
Schellville, Jan. 15, 1897.

## Brevities.

The Sonoma House will re-open next week.

Billy Campbell has returned from Nevada county.

There was a lively runaway Wednesday evening. No damage.

The City Trustees meet in regular session next Wednesday evening.

Three miles of the proposed electric railway have been surveyed in the vicinity of Kenwood.

The summit of Sonoma Mountain was enveloped in a mantle of snow on Wednesday morning last.

Chas. Carhill, the well-known foreman of the Prunty ranch, has resigned his position. Mr. Carhill, who is an experienced farmer, intends to remain in the valley and take charge of another place.

United States Vice Consul to Havana, Joseph A. Springer, who has returned to this country for a rest from official duties and whose picture appeared in Wednesday's Chronicle, is a cousin of Mrs. G. Andrew Goess of this place.

President Foster and a number of other officials of the San Francisco and North Pacific Railway came up on Monday last on a special train. They visited several points of interest in the town after which they returned to San Rafael. The object of the visit has not yet been made known.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Sonoma Valley Bank was held Tuesday. The bank officials were all re-elected as follows: D. Burris, President; F. T. Duhring, Vice-President; Jesse Burris, Cashier; Frank Burris, Assistant Cashier.

The Eagle Hotel, Santa Rosa gives special rates to families jurors and persons attending court See ad. *

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# PERSONAL AND SOCIAL

## And Other Matters of Interest to the General Reader.

[Contributed by Marjorie Dow.]

Items of a personal and social nature are thankfully received at this office and will be edited by Marjorie Dow.

Miss Eva Gundlach took last Saturday's train for a visit in the metropolis.

Miss Gussie and Helen Wright of Glen Ellen, accompanied by Miss Pearl Allen and Katie Ping, attended the dedication of the Catholic Church last Sunday.

Mrs. Geo. Jacobs returned to her home in Healdsburg last Saturday morning after a short visit with her daughter, Mrs. A. E. Leech.

Geo. Lewis, Santa Rosa's Postmaster, was in town last Sunday.

Mrs. Ed. Wegner spent last Sunday in San Francisco with her daughter, Miss Lydia.

Mrs. A. Hill and her little son Howard have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wickersham for several weeks.

Henry Carriger returned from the metropolis last Sunday evening.

The Druids will give a banquet at the Toscano Hotel on the evening of Friday, January 22nd.

George Bulotti came up from the city Sunday to spend the day with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. Bulotti.

Col. G. F. Hooper and wife entertained Archbishop Riordan at Sobre Vista, their beautiful home, last Saturday and Sunday.

H. Appleton visited San Francisco on business last Monday.

A handsome marble monument has been erected in Valley Cemetery over the grave of the late Geo. W. Sparks, who for years held many positions of public trust during his thirty years residence in Sonoma.

Dr. Carl Walliser visited the metropolis last Tuesday.

The students of the High School will give an entertainment and hop on the night of Washington's birthday for the benefit of the laboratory attached to the school.

The engagement is announced of Mr. Benj. Weed and Miss Eva Gundlach. The former is the popular principal of the Sonoma High School and a young man of the strictest integrity. Miss Gundlach is the accomplished daughter of the late Jacob Gundlach of Rhinefarm.

Mrs. Prunty, who is visiting relatives in Kansas, is expected home in March.

Make Sunday a delight to the children. Becheerful. Wear your brightest smile and your prettiest gown. Beautify the sitting room with flowers or something not in use every day. Then be sure to have some favorite dish for dinner and arrange the table as if for a holiday, so that in after years they will look back to the old time Sundays with pleasure.

H. Weyl, Jr., drove down from his home in Healdsburg last Monday.

Mrs. F. T. Duhring and her little son have gone to Santa Barbara to visit Mrs. Duhring's parents. They will remain for some time.

Helen, aged four, was spending a night away from home. At bedtime she knelt at her hostess' knee to say her prayers, expecting the usual prompting. Finding her friend unable to help her out, she concluded thus: "Please God, 'cuse me. I can't remember my prayers, and I'am staying with a lady that don't know any."

Neil Ryan has been over from Benicia the past week visiting his brother, Joe Ryan, the popular assistant in the Union Livery Stables.

When grease is spilled on the kitchen floor or table, pour cold water over it instantly. By so doing it will harden instead of sinking into the pores of the wood, and can be easily removed.

Mrs. J. E. Poppe has been ill the past week at her home on First-street West.

The patrons of the Sonoma High School will shortly inaugurate a series of literary and musical entertainments to be interspersed with lectures. The object will be to advance the cause of education and to bring together from time to time the friends and patrons of the school. A fine piano has been loaned to the school for the musical part of the entertainments.

Frank S. Twing, son of D. H. Twing, Sonoma's real estate agent, has associated himself with F. B. Voorhies in the commission merchant business on Clay street, San Francisco. We wish the young gentleman success in his new venture.

Geo. Engler returned from a brief business trip to San Francisco on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Bill returned from a brief visit to San Francisco last Sunday morning.

Robt. P. Hill spent one day this week with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McPherson Hill of San Francisco.

Mrs. S. Enos of San Francisco visited Sonoma Valley friends last Sunday.

Rev. O. E. Hotle, pastor of the Methodist Church, resumed his studies at Berkeley last Monday after a vacation of several weeks.

David Burris, President of the Sonoma Valley Bank, was in town several days this week.

"What is meant by saying that a man is convalescing?" "That he has outwitted his doctor."

S. Schocken returned to Sonoma last Tuesday evening after a short business visit to San Francisco.

Miss Mary Burke came over from Petaluma last Tuesday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Burke.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Wade returned home last Monday after a pleasant visit with Sonoma relatives.

Chas. Cooper, son-in-law of S. J. Agnew, has accepted the position as foreman of the Prunty ranch, *vice* Chas. Carhill, who is now stopping at the Union Hotel.

Nursing bottles are now made with a porous filtering body located in the neck which strains the milk as it passes through it.

Mr. McGimsey, our U. S. Warehouse Keeper, who has been residing on the Lawrence place, has taken up his residence with his family on Napa street, near the Convent.

Mrs. S. J. Agnew returned last Wednesday evening from an extended visit to her son, Charles, who has been seriously ill at his home near Paso Robles. When Mrs. Agnew left he was greatly improved.

Miss Jennette A. Goess is visiting her sister, Mrs. A. F. Wade, 1030 Pine street, San Francisco.

"A six o'clock church wedding, when the bride wears a traveling gown, and there is to be no reception afterwards, calls for afternoon dress on the part of the bridegroom," writes Walter Germain in the January *Ladies' Home Journal*. "He should, even if he is going right from the church to the train, wear frock coat of black, light trousers, gray gloves, light four-in-hand or Ascot tie, top hat, just as if the wedding were to be a large afternoon affair."

Walter Schott visited friends in this place Sunday.

Mr. Ed. Warren and Miss Maud Green of San Francisco were guests at the Cheney residence last Sunday.

Few of us perhaps know that leap year is of Scottish origin, but the following clipping from a Scottish journal will prove it: "Her Maist Blessit Majestie Margaret, decreed in the year 1288 that, during her reign, every maid of Scotland, whether of high or low decree, should speak to the man she loved. If he were not betrothed already, he must marry the maid or pay £100. Queen Margaret died, and the women were then enamorous for the strange privilege to continue. To appease them an Act of Parliament was passed allowing the maidens to make their proposals every fourth year."

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SONOMA, SATURDAY, JAN. 16, 1897.

# A CHAPLAIN'S STORY.

Jim Bourn and I were boys together at Westminster; we went to Oxford together—to Balliol; we took our degrees together in the classical (honors) school and were ordained together by the Bishop of L—— as curates for his diocese. Here our paths separated for some years, and when next we renewed our old friendship I was the vicar of the town, still single at 34, and Jim was the chaplain of the famous jail in the same town and married.

We were talking in my study as in olden times. Somehow the conversation drifted to the subject of a recent newspaper article, "Ought Married People to Have Any Secrets From Each Other?" I said "No," Jim said "Yes." We both smilingly stuck to our text. It was not often that we differed in opinion, but this was the case anyhow.

"Why, Jim," said I, "you would have been the last person I should have expected to take that line, for I am sure, from what I have seen, that if ever two folks were happy and loving they are Ella and yourself. I can't conceive of your having any secret which you would not wish Ella to know."

"Ah," retorted he with a peculiar smile, "that's just it. Well, Howson, I'll tell you one, if you like. Though," he added, "it must remain a secret between us two."

"Thanks, Jim; you need not fear me, as you know. I am only curious to know the case," and I assumed an attitude of eager attention to Jim's story.

"I was the chaplain at Lowmarket, as you are well aware, before I came here. It is a pretty place, and one wonders whatever made the government build a jail there. However, there it is, and there was I. The amount of society that one got in Lowmarket was perfectly astonishing. Had I had the time and inclination for it I might have turned out a regular 'society' clergyman. As it was, I had a full amount of lectures, soirees, parties and entertainments. Among the people I got in with none were nicer than the Yorks. Miss York, a maiden lady of 50, lived in a large and beautifully furnished house called The Cedars in the best part of the town. She was known all over the district for her charity, kindness of heart and pure life. Everybody had a good word for her. Nor was her niece, Miss York, any less popular. People in Lowmarket fairly worshiped both of them.

"I was 28 when I first saw Ella York, and at once succumbed to her charms. For weeks her praises had been in my ears, and now, on acquaintance, I found her beauty, her manners, her kindness of heart not one whit less than report stated. I loved her. Of course I could not say so at once, and whether, after two or three meetings in the course of my work—for Miss York the elder took great interest in our sphere of labor—she guessed my love and reciprocated it, I could not then say. I found upon judicious inquiries that Miss York—Ella—had lived with her aunt from childhood; that she was now 24; that her mother was dead, and her father lived on the continent for his health; also that she was her aunt's sole heiress. These facts were, of course, only learned by degrees, as one cannot go to the fountain head for such information.

"After much heart searching and debating within myself I thought I saw that Ella York was not wholly indifferent to me, and I resolved to ask her to be my wife. I need not go into details as to how I did it beyond saying that it was one summer morning, rather more than five years ago, when, having gone to see her aunt, who was out, I met Ella in the grounds, and, after talking, as we walked along, on various subjects, somehow it came out unexpectedly, and almost before I could comprehend what it all meant Ella York had promised to be my wife, subject to her aunt's consent.

"But her aunt didn't consent. I received a dainty note that night—how tenderly I regarded it, Howson—from Ella, saying that she had spoken of my visit to her aunt and had told her I was coming tomorrow for her approval. Miss York had been very kind, but acted rather strangely and said she would see me, but she could not consent, as she did not wish to lose Ella. My dear girl went on to say that she had in vain tried to get from her any more than this.

"I was in a curious frame of mind as I went next morning to see Miss York. What could her objection really be? Surely not to me. My position, my family, my life here were, I hoped, beyond reproach. Even if it were a question of money, I had enough private means, as you know. As for Miss York, well, of course, it would be lonely without Ella at first, after so many years' companionship, but surely she didn't expect her never to get married. It was preposterous.

"I was destined to know her objection. As I approached the lodge the porteress met me.

"'Oh, Mr. Bourn, this is shocking.'

"I was more puzzled than ever. Why my engagement to Ella should be 'shocking' I couldn't see, and I, no doubt, expressed it in my looks.

"'So sudden, too, sir,' said the woman. 'Nobody expected it.'

"'Whatever's the matter?' said I.

"'Why, haven't you heard that Miss York is dead? No. Oh, dear! Poor thing. Had a fit in the night, doctor says; was quite unconscious when Miss Ella got there, and died at 9 o'clock this morning.'

"My heart sank. I felt faint and giddy. It was some minutes before I could move. You will never know how it feels, Howson, unless you should have such a blow, which I hope you never will. But I am bound to say that my one thought was 'my poor, lonely darling, Ella.'

"There were no more details to be learned about Miss York's death. She was buried in Lowmarket churchyard. Ella was ill for weeks and could not see even me. When she was well enough to attend to business, it was found that she inherited all her aunt's money, and as she had already accepted me we were married a twelvemonth afterward. She had been awfully lonely, she said, since Miss York's death, but no couple had ever lived happier and been nearer and dearer to each other than Ella and I. May God bless her!"

"Amen!" said I solemnly and reverently.

"'Ella and I,' pursued Jim, "could never give the remotest guess as to her aunt's objection to our engagement, and it would probably have remained a mystery to me, as it has to Ella even now, had it not been for the following circumstances. Some time ago I was sent for at the prison to see a rather desperate character, whose end was very near. He had been sent to seven years' penal servitude some three years before for forgery, and after serving two years at Portland had been transferred to Lowmarket. His appearance was superior to that of the ordinary convict, even when a forger. Although I had seen him several times, and certainly been struck with his face and appearance, we could not be said to be friendly, as he had been indifferent to all my advances.

"I found him lying in the hospital, and I soon saw that he would not live very long.

"'You seem pleased to see me?' I said.

"'Yes, sir,' replied No. 152. 'I am glad you've come. I hardly expected you would, considering how stand offish I've been. But I wanted to see you, as the doctor says I'm not likely to last much longer—perhaps not till tomorrow.'

"'There, well, never mind. Keep your courage up, and you'll probably deceive the doctor.'

"'I talked to him about his soul and spiritual things. That we may pass by, Howson. I believe he was thoroughly penitent. I asked him if there was any thing I could do for him.

"'Yes, sir; there is one thing, if you will. It's such a curious one, I hardly like to ask you.' His eyes looked eagerly at me.

"'Go on,' said I. 'I'll do it if possible.'

"'I've had a queer life, sir,' said the convict. 'I might have been somebody and done some good, but I got led astray after marriage and broke the heart of my wife, who died soon afterward. Yes, I've led a bad life, and it's precious few friends I've had lately anyhow. But I hope I may be forgiven, as you say God will pardon even the worst of us. And if you'll promise me to do one thing when I'm dead I shall die happy.'

"'I'll promise as far as I can,' said I. 'What is it?'

"'It's to take care of your wife,' answered No. 152. 'Ah,' said he smiling, 'I thought that would astonish you.'

"'Take care of my wife.' I gazed at him in amazement. 'Why, of course I shall. But what is that to you?'

"'A great deal,' said he.

"'Why?'

"'Because she's—my daughter.'

"I looked at him in terror and astonishment and was about to send for the nurse and for the doctor, feeling sure he was rambling, when he said slowly:

"'Sit down, sir, please. I can't talk much longer. You need not send for Dr. Darton. I'm all right. I feared it would give you a shock, sir, as it gave me one the first time I saw her here with you. Ella York—you see, I know her name all right—was taken when quite a child by her aunt, who disowned me and never told the child what her father was. In that she was quite right. She changed her name from Wilson to her mother's name of York and completed the disguise. Whenever I desired—and, oh, sir, I did often desire—to see Ella, my darling, Miss York has always threatened me with the police, and I knew better than to have them on my track if I could help it. Yes, sir; I see you can't realize it yet, but you'll find Ella Wilson's birth and baptism in the registers of Northfield, and I give you my word it's true.'

"I sat in dumb silence. What could I say? Ella, my Ella, a convict's daughter!

"'Please, sir, don't tell her,' said he. 'She has never known. Don't let her know. But I felt I must tell you, sir, and you'll not think any worse of her?' and his eyes looked pleadingly and wistfully at me.

"My senses had somewhat returned.

"'No,' said I. 'Of course not. I am half dazed, but I feel what you say is true. But Ella is my own now, and always shall be while I live. I wish I had not heard this, but it cannot alter my love for Ella.'

"'Thank God,' he said. 'And, sir, there's one thing more. The doctor says I shall sleep myself away. Do you think it could be managed for my darling to give me one kiss ere I die—just one?'

"'I'll try. Yes,' said I, 'she shall, if you'll leave it to me.'

"'I will. God bless you, Mr. Bourn.'

"I left him. When I got home, Ella thought I was ill, and indeed I was—overwork, I pleaded. In another hour they came to tell me he was asleep and would not wake in this world.

"I took Ella with me to the hospital. 'Ella,' said I, 'a prisoner who is dying, and who has no—few—friends, told me today how he had seen you and would like you to kiss him ere he died, as his own daughter would have done. Will you?'

"'Certainly, my darling.'

"And, with eyes full of tears, she did. The unconscious form rose, the eyelids half opened, the face smiled. She didn't know. Did he?

"I led her away, weeping, my own heart full. I afterward verified his story. But Ella has never known any more, Howson, and never will. There is sometimes a secret which should not be shared between husband and wife, Howson, isn't there?"

"You're right, dear old Jim," said I as he grasped my hand in silence, but with tear dimmed eyes. "You're right, old fellow, and God bless you both."—Birmingham News.

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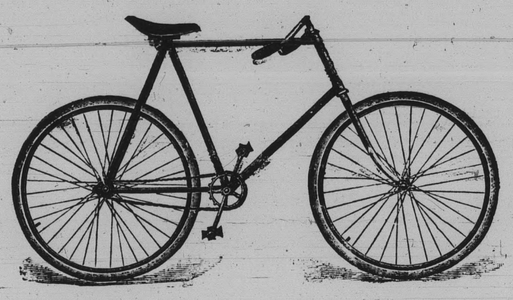
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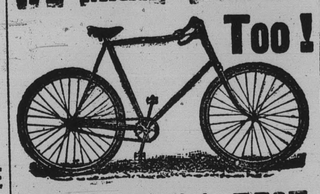
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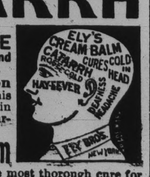
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